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Amendments* submitted by the United States of America to the Chairman's working paper of Main Committee I (NPT/CONF.2005/MC.I/CRP.3) and the working paper of the Chairman of Subsidiary Body I (NPT/CONF.2005/MC.I/SB/CRP.4)

Chairman's working paper of Main Committee I

Paragraph 1:

Replace "the" before "cornerstone" with an "a". Replace the "the" before "essential" with "an". Replace the word "foundation" with "element". End the paragraph in the third line, after "disarmament".

Paragraph 2:

Delete the existing paragraph, and replace with the following:

"In addition to the central purpose of the Treaty, namely non-proliferation, peaceful nuclear cooperation and disarmament also constitute important aspects of the Treaty to which all States Party remain committed."

Paragraph 3:

Delete the existing paragraph and replace with the following:

"The Conference encourages NPT States Party to consider a wide range of responses, including national and mutually agreed multilateral arrangements, to non-compliance with Articles I, II or III of the Treaty. Such responses should include, but would not be limited to, a halt to nuclear cooperation with the offending States. Items acquired or produced as a result of a material violation of the NPT's non-proliferation undertakings should be eliminated or returned to the original supplier."

* Paragraphs not referenced are acceptable.

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Paragraph 4:

Add the following to the existing paragraph, as the final sentence:

"The Conference endorsed universal adherence to the IAEA Additional Protocol as a key standard by which to measure a Party's commitment to its non-proliferation obligations under the Treaty."

Articles I and II and preambular paragraphs 1 to 3

Paragraph 1:

End the paragraph in the second line, after the first appearance of the word "Treaty".

Paragraph 4:

Delete the last sentence.

Paragraph 5:

Delete the last sentence.

Paragraph 7:

Beginning in the second line, delete the text from the second "and" through "weapons" on the third line.

Add new paragraph 9:

"The Conference deplores the fact that Iran and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea have sought to pursue nuclear weapons programmes behind the façade of allegedly peaceful nuclear programmes. It calls for rigorous measures to address this security risk to the Treaty and to maintain international confidence in peaceful nuclear cooperation among NPT States Party."

Add new paragraph 10:

"The Conference endorses ongoing efforts by France, Germany, and the United Kingdom to reach a diplomatic solution to the Iranian nuclear problem. Given the history of documented clandestine nuclear weapons work in Iran, any solution must include the permanent cessation of Iran's enrichment and reprocessing efforts, as well as the dismantlement of Iranian equipment and facilities related to such activity. Iran must provide such objective and verifiable guarantees in order to demonstrate that it is not using a purportedly peaceful nuclear programme to hide a nuclear weapons programme, or to conduct additionally clandestine nuclear work elsewhere in the country."

Add new paragraph 11:

"The Conference condemns the decision by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to withdraw from the Treaty, and reaffirms the urgent need for the DPRK to completely dismantle all of its nuclear programmes in a comprehensive, prompt, transparent, verifiable, and irreversible manner. The Conference also underscores the importance of resolving the nuclear issue in the Korean Peninsula through diplomatic and peaceful means within the framework of the six-party talks."

Disarmament and non-proliferation education

Paragraph 1:

Beginning in the second line, delete the text from "ensure" through "and" on the third line.

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Article VI and the eighth to twelfth preambular paragraphs of the Treaty

Paragraph 2:

Delete in its entirety.

Paragraph 3:

Beginning on the first line, delete the text from "and" through "efforts" on the second line. Continuing on the second line, end the paragraph after "VI".

Paragraph 5:

Delete in its entirety.

Paragraph 6:

In the second line, end the paragraph after "Initiative", and make that word plural.

Paragraph 7:

Delete in its entirety.

Paragraph 8:

Delete in its entirety.

Paragraph 9:

Delete in its entirety.

Paragraph 11:

In the third line, after "IAEA" add "controls". On that same line, delete the text from "or" through "verification".

Paragraph 12:

In the second line, delete "agrees," and replace that work with the phrase, "encourages all States Party". In the third line, delete "on an annual basis".

Negative security assurances [Delete the word "Negative".]

Paragraph 2:

In the first line, replace "unilateral" with "individual". In the third line, end the paragraph after "Treaty".

Paragraph 3:

In the first line, replace "calls upon" with "welcomes that". Also in the first line, replace "to respect" with "are respecting". In the second line, end the paragraph after "assurances".

Paragraph 5:

In the second line, after "of," add "protocols to".

Paragraph 7:

Delete in its entirety.